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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED**  
**EXAMINATION**

This paper is submitted in response to the Office action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 27, 2009, along with the enclosed Request for Continued Examination, the associated fee, and an excess claim fee. Applicant submits that no additional fee is required for this Amendment and Response to be entered and considered. However, please consider this a conditional authorization to charge any additional fees necessary for entry and consideration of this paper to Deposit Account No. 07-1700.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of all grounds of rejection, and passage of the claims to allowance.

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment and Response.
- Remarks begin on page 7 of this Amendment and Response.